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larly when we take up the Demand, Head of State, Ministers and Headquarters Staff or the Appropriation Bill? I think the hon. Members will have various opportunities.

MR. SPEAKER: I have only told the hon. Member that I shall consider his suggestion if made after the budget is over.

SRI K. VINAYAKAM: May I know whether the Hon. Minister in charge of the portfolio will reply to the various points on the subject raised during the discussion on the Demands?

MR. SPEAKER: I cannot force the Hon. Minister to reply. The Chair cannot compel the Hon. Minister to reply to the points raised.

Sri Venkateswara Hostel

* 30 *S.N.Q.*—SRI N. K. PALANISAMI, SRI T. S. RAMASWAMY PILLAI AND SRI V. SANKARAN: Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state whether the Government are aware of the closure of the mess section of Sri Venkateswara Hostel in Triplicane and the steps taken by the Government to reopen it?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM: The mess attached to Venkateswara Hostel has not been closed and it continues to be run. This is not a Government Hostel. Students studying in the several colleges in the City are admitted into the Hostel.

SRI V. SANKARAN: மார்ச் 16-ந் தேதியில் இருந்து பால், தயிர், எண்ணை போன்ற வசதிகள் எல்லாம் நிறுத்தப்பட்டுவிட்டது என்பது சர்க்காருக்குத் தெரியுமா? அதைத் தொடர்ந்து நடத்த சர்க்கார் ஏற்பாடு செய்யுமா?

MR. SPEAKER: When the Hon. Minister had said that it is not a Government hostel, how can the Hon. Minister answer that question?

Post cards and money order forms

* 437 *Q.*—SRI S. B. ADITYAN: Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state whether any representation has been made by the Government to the Centre about the use of Tamil post cards within the Madras State?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM: No specific representation about the use of Tamil in local post cards has been made to the Government of India. But attention has been drawn to this subject by the Official Language Commission; and the Government of Madras have drawn attention to and endorsed the views expressed by the Commission.

* 438 *Q.*—SRI S. B. ADITYAN: Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state whether the Government have made any representations to the Centre regarding the use of Hindi in money order forms supplied in post offices within Madras State?

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THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : No specific representation about the use of Tamil in Money Order forms has been made to the Government of India. But attention has been drawn to this subject by the Official Language Commission; and the Government of Madras have drawn attention to and endorsed the views expressed by the Commission.

* 439 Q.—SRI A. A. RASHEED : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state whether the Government have drawn the attention of the Union Government regarding the exclusive use of Hindi on post cards and money order forms?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : No special representation was made to the Government of India on this subject. But reference has been made to this matter by the Official Language Commission; and the Government of Madras have drawn attention to it in their Memorandum and endorsed the views expressed by the Commission.

SRI A. A. RSAHEED : What is the reaction of the Central Government regarding the representations, Sir?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM : As far as their reaction is concerned, from the trend of events, I find that they would use the Tamil language also in the Post cards and money order forms in the Tamil area.

SRI A. V. P. ASAITHAMBI : தலைவர் அவர்களே.இந்தியாவில் தேசீய மொழியாக இந்தி, ஆங்கிலம் ஆகிய இரண்டும் நீடிக்கவேண்டுமென்று பல ராஜ்யங்களும் மத்திய சர்க்காரிடத்தில் வற்புறுத்தியும், கௌஹத்தி மகா நாட்டில் இதே கொள்கையை மத்திய சர்க்கார் மந்திரிகள் ஒப்புக்கொண்டும் இருக்கிற காரணத்தினால் கார்டு, கவர், மணியார்டர் பாரம், தந்தி பாரம் முதலிய எல்லாவற்றிலும் ஆங்கிலமும் இருக்கவேண்டும் என்கிற நிலைமையை உண்டாக்கி, இந்தி மாத்திரம் அச்சிட்ட பாரங்களை வாபஸ் பெற்றுக்கொள்ளவும் வற்புறுத்த நமது சர்க்கார் முன்வருமா ?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM: என்னைப் பொறுத்துவரையில் ஆங்கிலம் இருந்தாலும் சரி, இந்தி இருந்தாலும் சரி இந்தப் பகுதியில் உள்ள மக்களுக்குப் பயன்படும் வகையில் தமிழில் இருக்கவேண்டும் என்பதுதான் விருப்பம். இந்த விருப்பத்திற்கு இணங்குவார்கள் என்று நம்புகிறேன்.

Administrative offices of Ramanathapuram district

* 440 Q.—SRI A. VEDARATHNAM : Will the Hon. Minister for Revenue be pleased to state—

(a) whether Government have received any representation for shifting the important administrative offices of Ramanathapuram district from their present location in Madurai to suitable places in Ramanathapuram district, and for the realignment of the districts of Tiruchirappalli, Madurai, Ramanathapuram and Tirunelveli districts for administrative convenience and thus facilitate maintenance of a peaceful atmosphere in the Ramanathapuram district; and

(b) if so, what action have the Government taken on that representation?